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Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please note that applicants do not necessarily wish to elect claims previously elected in the prior application Serial No. 08/836,546. If the Examiner intends to maintain a restriction requirement as in the prior application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to issue a written restriction requirement in the present application and permit applicants to make a new election in the present application.

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Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 CFR 1.55, the applicants hereby claim the right of priority based on:

Japanese Application No. 228928/95, filed September 6, 1995.

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